

FISCAL NOTE – CAPTION BILL

HB 2571 - SB 2861

March 11, 1998

CAPTION BILL: Fiscal Note reflects amendments filed to lift the bill from the desk of the Senate and House Clerks (012502).

SUMMARY OF BILL: The proposed amendment deletes all the language in the original bill and provides (1) It is unlawful for any person less than 10 years of age to operate any vessel propelled by machinery upon the waters of Tennessee unless such person is under the direct supervision of an adult. Such prohibition does not apply to an outboard motor less than 8.5 horsepower. (2) It is unlawful for any person at least 10 years of age but less than 13 to operate any vessel propelled by machinery upon the waters of Tennessee unless such person is under the direct supervision of an adult. This prohibition does not apply if: (A) The vessel is at least 14 feet in length; (B) The vessel has an outboard motor less than 15 horsepower; and (C) The operator of the vessel has successfully completed a boater safety course approved by the TWRA. Defines *direct supervision* to mean being in such proximity with the operator so as to be able to take immediate control of the vessel.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase State Expenditures – Not Significant

Assumes any increase in expenditures would not be significant and that provisions of the bill can be handled with existing boating enforcement personnel of the TWRA.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.



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